



## JULY 2016

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### Upcoming Milestones

- The contract of the Van Ness Improvement Project is expected to be amended by the SFMTA Board of Directors to include construction services at its meeting August 16 at 1:00 p.m. in City Hall, Room 400.
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### Recent Milestones

- Showcased new 60-foot diesel hybrid motor coaches procured for project with a scavenger hunt and provided project information and free [Transportation Activity Books](#) to Sunday Streets attendees July 10 in the Tenderloin.
- The San Francisco Arts Commission Civic Design Review provided Phase III approval for the Van Ness Improvement Project on July 18.
- An appeal of the Public Works permit to remove and replace 86 median trees and 4 sidewalk trees that are in conflict with the implementation of the project was heard at the Board of Appeals on June 22. The permit was upheld and a rehearing request was denied July 27.
- Collaborations are ongoing with Construction Manager/General Contractor to optimize planning and construction processes and methods.



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### Upcoming Events

#### **Meet the Expert: Green Infrastructure**

August 3, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Sushi Hana, 800 Van Ness Avenue

Learn how Van Ness is going green and using natural methods to keep our bay and ocean clean! Vincent Mazzaferro from the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission will discuss green infrastructure efforts around the city.

Meet the Expert is a fun and informal talk series hosted by a different Van Ness-corridor business each month. Presenters provide their expertise on a variety of Van Ness-related topics, from construction to Muni service to history. This is your chance to join the conversation, ask questions, or just kick back and listen—all while enjoying the best of Van Ness. Each event is free to attend, but attendees are responsible for purchasing their own food and beverages.

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**[sfmta.com/vanness](http://sfmta.com/vanness)**



## Recent Media

- **Article: "57 Initiatives Given High Priority in Next Round of Vision Zero Projects"**

Safety improvements for people walking on Van Ness Avenue are highlighted as one of 57 Vision Zero projects that will be given high priority in the next two years. From *Moving SF*, July 1, 2016, [www.sfmta.com/about-sfmta/blog/57-initiatives-given-high-priority-next-round-vision-zero-projects](http://www.sfmta.com/about-sfmta/blog/57-initiatives-given-high-priority-next-round-vision-zero-projects)

## Upcoming Events (Continued)

**Van Ness Business Advisory  
Committee Meeting**

August 18, 3:00-4:30 p.m.

One South Van Ness, 3rd Floor  
Civic Center Conference Room

**Van Ness BRT Community Advisory  
Committee Meeting**

August 25, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

One South Van Ness, 7th Floor  
Union Square Conference Room



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